BY-LAWS

OF

ALLETA COUNCIL
NO. 26

ASBURY PARK, N. J.

ALLETA COUNCIL, No. 26, I. O. R. M.

This is to Certify,

That Lorena Pearce

was regularly adopted into this Council on the 17

Sun, Hot Moon, G. S. D. 36

Anna L Sweney Pocahontas.

Jennie Hurley K. of R.

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ALLETA COUNCIL, NO. 26

DEGREE OF POCAHONTAS

IMPROVED ORDER OF
RED MEN

June 17, 1927
Sleeps 17 Sun Hot Moon
S. S. Lb. 36
Past Pawhontas (Jan 1929)
Cold Moon S. S. Lb. 37

ASBURY PARK, N. J.

ARTICLE I.

TITLE

Section 1. This body shall be known as ALLETA COUNCIL, No. 26, Degree of Pocahontas, Improved Order of Red Men.

Sec. 2. The Council fire shall be kindled on the sleep of the sixth sun of every seven suns at the eighth run.

Sec. 3. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Any member of the Chief's degree or any woman over eighteen great suns of age, shall be eligible to become a member of this Council, if of good moral character and good health, if applicant is under fifty great suns of age. They shall pay into the wampum belt as follows:- From the ages of eighteen great suns to fifty great suns, one fathom of wampum; over fifty great suns, one fathom for each additional year.

Sec. 2. Should any applicant misrepresent his or her age, they shall be disqualified from all benefits.

Sec. 3. A petition from a pale face or a Chief must be signed by two members of this Council, and be accompanied by not less than half of the adoption fee in wampum. This petition shall be referred to a committee of three, who shall make a strict investigation of his or her health. And

if not satisfactory to his or her health, procure a physician's certificate, the cost of which shall be paid by the Council where the pale face is accepted, the physician to be appointed by the Council.

Sec. 4. Fee for withdrawal or dismissal card shall be one fathom of wampum.

Sec. 5. Any one wishing to join the Council by card shall pay a fee equal to the adoption fee.

Sec. 6. Any applicant for membership, who shall fail to present themselves for adoption for six seven suns after being elected, shall forfeit the proposition fee to the Council unless a satisfactory excuse be given, and they cannot be admitted unless by a new election.

Sec. 7. Upon the rejection of a pale face or Chief, the proposition fee must be returned to him or her, and the applicant cannot be proposed in any Council for a period of six moons.

ARTICLE III.

DUES

Section 1. Every member of this Council shall pay into the wampum belt one foot and two inches of wampum every seven suns.

Sec. 2. Any member indebted to this Council for thirteen seven suns dues shall not be entitled to the password, to hold office or to vote; and if indebted for twelve moons, they shall be suspended, unless otherwise ordered by the Council.

Sec. 3. Dues shall be due and payable on or before the last stated Council held in any moon.

Sec. 4. Any brother suspended or expelled from the tribe of which he is a member shall be dealt with likewise in the Council.

ARTICLE IV.

PUBLIC DISPLAY

No member shall appear in the regalia of the Order at any concert, festival, public assemblage or procession other than funerals, unless by permission of the Great Council or Great Pocahontas.

ARTICLE V.

BENEFITS

Section 1. No member shall be entitled to receive benefits until they have been a member one great sun, and not then if indebted to the Council for thirteen seven suns dues, any member of the Council, who shall be in arrears for three moons or more, if taken sick, cannot by payment of dues become beneficial during his or her disabilty, provided, however, that the arrearages for dues only shall not exclude the member from care and attention during such sickness or disability. If in good health and being in arrears she or he shall not be entitled to the benefits of the Council until four seven suns after paying said indebtedness; if six moons in arrears she or he shall wait eight seven suns and for every additional moon in arrears she or he shall wait two seven suns.

Sec. 2. Any member unable to follow the hunt shall report themselves to the Relief Chiefs or the Council, verbally or in writing, and the benefits shall begin one seven suns from date of report, but

no benefits to be paid for first seven suns sickness, and if in the judgment of the Relief Chief the members are entitled to benefits, they shall receive four fathoms of wampum every seven suns. But no member shall receive more than thirteen seven suns benefits in one great sun. The great sun to begin from the date of the payment of the last week sick benefits.

Sec. 3. Any member who shall become unable to follow the hunt, while they are three moons in arrears for dues, cannot, by paying their arrearages, become beneficial during such disability.

Sec. 4. At the death of a member in good standing their nearest relative shall receive one hundred fathoms of wampum, unless otherwise specified by the deceased member.

Sec. 5. No benefits shall be paid by the Council in confinement cases, except in cases of relapse after four seven suns, when she shall be entitled to the same benefits as if she had any other sickness.

ARTICLE VI.

REINSTATEMENTS

Section 1. Any member who has been suspended for non-payment of dues, on making application for reinstatement; must be twigged for the same as a pale face and if elected rank as a new member in regard to benefits. If rejected, he or she shall not again make application until six moons after rejection. Any member applying for

reinstatement must pay the same fee as a new member.

Sec. 2. Upon the report of the committee a ballot shall be taken and if three or more black twigs should have been deposited, the candidate shall be declared rejected and the fee returned and his or her application shall not be renewed in any Council for the period of six moons. For further information refer to the Constitution on page 1.

ARTICLE VII.

DUTIES OF RELIEF CHIEFS

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Relief Chiefs to visit the members of this Council who are unable to follow the hunt within two suns after having received notice of the same, and shall continue their visits at least once every seven suns. And for neglecting to do so shall be fined five feet of wampum.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the Relief Chiefs to see that this Council provide as many of its members as are required to sit up with sisters or brothers unable to follow the hunt. Sisters or brothers shall be liable for such duty in the order in which their names appear upon the obligation book. None shall be called upon to sit up a second time until all members have served in above manner for one sleep. The Relief Chiefs shall notify members as they become liable for this duty, and for failure to comply with such notice or to provide a substitute, they shall be fined one fathom of wampum.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Relief Chief first receiving notice of the sickness of a member to communicate the same to the other Chiefs, whose duty it is to visit the sick.

ARTICLE VIII.

IMPROPER CONDUCT

Section 1. Any member guilty of improper conduct of any kind in the Council, or who may bring a charge aganst a sister or a brother evidently of a malicious or spiteful character, or who shall propose any person for membership whom he or she may know to be an unworthy character, shall be fined, suspended or expelled, as the Council may determine after a fair and impartial trial; according with Code of Procedure for Council.

Sec. 2. Any member exposing the name of a member who may think proper to speak or twig against a person proposed for membership, shall, upon conviction, be liable to suspension or expulsion, after due trial, as in Section 1.

ARTICLE IX.

ELECTIVE CHIEFS

Section 1. The elective Chiefs shall be Pocahontas, Wenonah, Powhatan and one trustee to be elected for six moons, at the regular election in Hunting moon; Keeper of Records, Keeper of Wampum and collector of Wampum, one representative and alternate to the Great Council, to be elected in Hot moon and serve for one great sun.

Sec. 2. At the regular election in Hunting moon one trustee shall be elected. The trustees' duty

shall be to hold the bond of the Keeper of Wampum and have a general supervision over the investments and property of the Council. They shall invest such wampum as may be appropriated for that purpose and deposit the vouchers with the Keeper of Wampum.

Sec. 3. When the amount of wampum in the hands of the Keeper of Wampum exceeds two hundred fathoms, it shall be invested by the Trustees in such manner as the Council may direct, and the interest received from such investment shall be turned into the wampum belt of the Council.

ARTICLE X.

DUTIES OF THE KEEPER OF RECORDS

Section 1. The Keeper of Records shall keep a fair and impartial record of the proceedings of the Council. She shall make out and countersign all orders, cards and communications, and reports to the Great Council and perform other duties appertaining to her chieftaincy as are described in the General Laws.

Sec. 2. She shall receive for her services one fathom five feet and six inches of wampum every three moons.

ARTICLE XI.

DUTY OF THE COLLECTOR OF WAMPUM

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Collector of Wampum to receive all wampum due the Council, and pay the same to the Keeper of Wampum, taking her receipt for the same. She shall notify

each member two seven suns before the expiration of the quarter of their financial standing upon the books of the Council, and at the end of every six moons, shall balance the account each member. She shall see that all applicants for benefits are in good standing before the orders are drawn for the same. She shall deliver her books properly posted and balanced, to the Auditing Committee every six moons, attend the meetings of the committee, and give such information as may be necessary.

Sec. 2. She shall receive for her service one fathom five feet and six inches of wampum every three moons.

ARTICLE XII.

DUTIES OF THE KEEPER OF WAMPUM

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Keeper of Wampum to keep a regular and correct account of all wampum received and paid by her. She shall deliver her books, properly posted and balanced, to the Auditing Committee every six moons. She shall give surety to the Council as they may deem sufficient for the faithful performance of her duty.

Sec. 2. She shall receive for service one fathom five feet and six inches of wampum every three moons.

ARTICLE XIII.

DUTIES OF THE TRUSTEES

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Trustees to exercise a general supervision over all the prop-

erty of the Council; make such investments as the Council may direct; procure from the Keeper of Wampum security for the faithful performance of her duties, and perform such other duties compatible with their chieftaincies as may be required by the Council.

Sec. 2. They shall keep a regular account of their transactions in a book, and deliver same every six moons to the Auditing Committee.

ARTICLE XIV.

AUDITING COMMITTEE

On the last Council sleep in Hot and Hunting moons the Pocahontas shall appoint a committee of three, whose duty it shall be to audit the accounts of the Keeper of Records, Collector of Wampum, Keeper of Wampum and Trustees, and report at the next stated Council after their appointment.

ARTICLE XV.

Section 1. Ignorance shall not be considered a sufficient excuse for any violation of the Constitution or these By-Laws, the provisions of which shall be construed according to their most obvious meaning.

Sec. 2. Any alterations or amendments to these By-Laws shall be read and laid over at two consecutive Council sleeps, and upon the third may be acted upon.

Sec. 3. It shall require a two-thirds vote of all

Dates, Etc.

RED MEN'S DIRECTORY

The General Laws and Rules of Order of the Degree of Pocahontas, under the jurisdiction of the Great Council of New Jersey, to govern on all points not provided for in the foregoing By-Laws.

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February 21, 1912.

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CALENDAR

A Minute is.....a Breath
An Hour is.....a Run
A Day is.....a Sun
A Night is.....a Sleep
Sunday is.....the First Sun
Monday is.....the Second Sun
Tuesday is.....the Third Sun
Wednesday is.....the Fourth Sun
Thursday is.....the Fifth Sun
Friday is.....the Sixth Sun
Saturday is.....the Seventh Sun
Morning is.....Rising of the Sun
Evening is.....Setting of the Sun
Mid-day is.....High Sun
Midnight is.....Low Sun
A Week is.....Seven Suns
A Month is.....a Moon
January is.....the Cold Moon
February is.....the Snow Moon
March is.....the Worm Moon
April is.....the Plant Moon
May is.....the Flower Moon
June is.....the Hot Moon
July is.....the Buck Moon
August is.....the Sturgeon Moon
September is.....the Corn Moon

Dates, Ets.

Prior to the year A. D. 1865, the old Jewish style, namely, the year of the world, was observed by Red Men in dating their documents. At the session of the G. C. U. S. 5626, this system was discontinued, and the style G. S. D., or Great Sun of the Discovery, was adopted, the year 1492 being considered G. S. D. 1.

Prefixes and Titles.

In new Tribes great care should be taken to conform to the peculiar phraseology of the Order, The lower branches of the Order are known as Tribes, the State organizations as Great Councils, and the Supreme Body as the Great Council of the United States; and hence the term Subordinate as a prefix to a Tribe is improper, as is the prefix Grand to the Great Council or its Chiefs.

Significance and simplicity of expression in the titles of the Chiefs of the Order are not the least of its beauties.

The initials I. O. should never be used as a prefix to the title of the Order. The word Improved should be written in full, or its abbreviation Imp'd may be employed. This is to avoid confounding it with another organization, which has appropriated a part of our name. (See printed proceedings G. C. U. S., volume 1, page 56.)

For the convenience of young members we insert the following: